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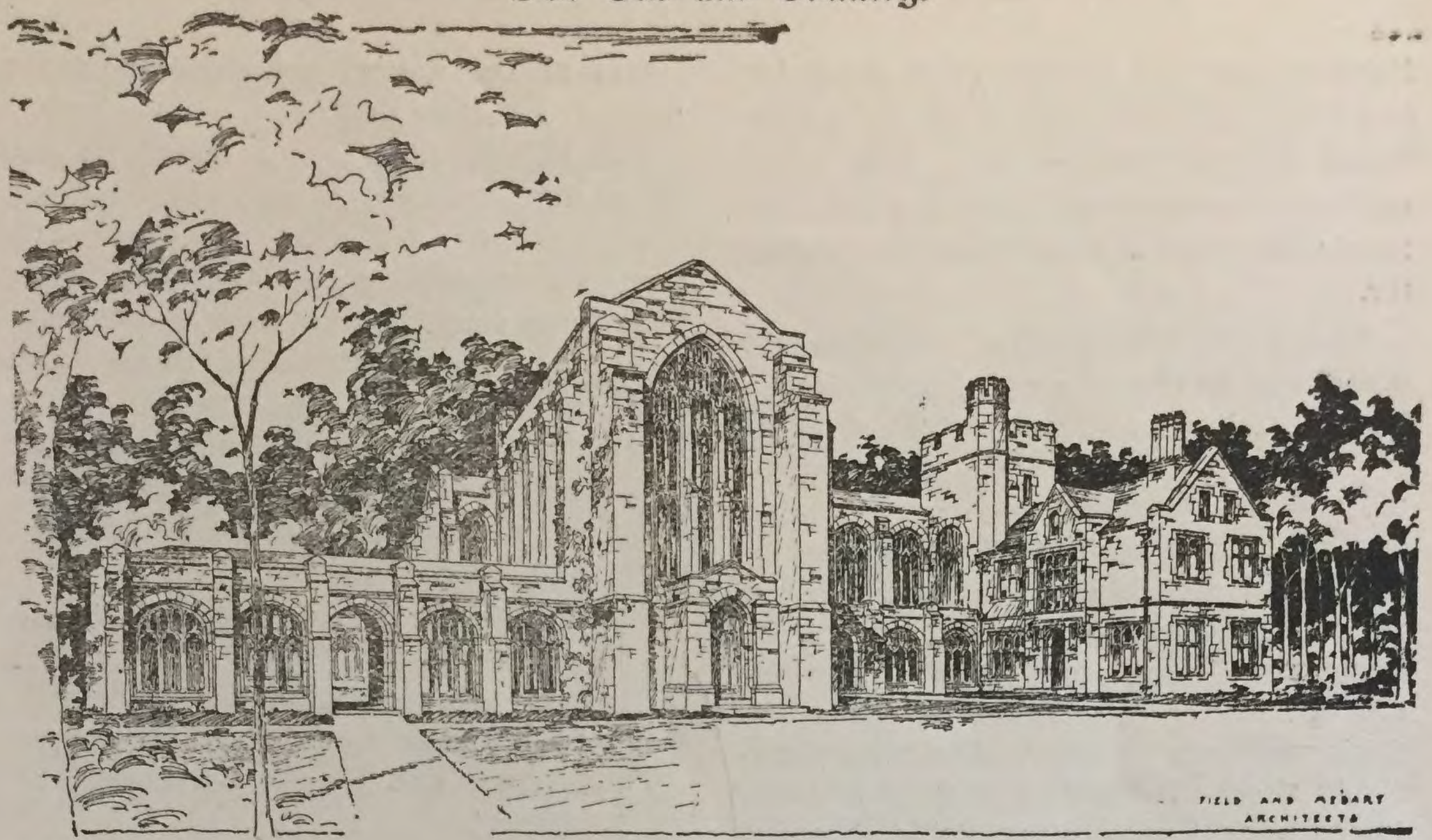

Cloister of the Colonies. Washington Memorial Chapel. Patriots' Hall. Tower and Rectory.

"No spot on earth—not the plains of Marathon, nor the passes of Sempach, nor the place of the Bastile, nor the dykes of Holland, nor the moors of England—is so sacred in the history of the struggle for human liberty as Valley Forge."

—CYRUS TOWNSEND BRADY.

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Named Collections in Valley Forge Museum.

So far there are only four Named Collections in the Valley Forge Museum. These are:

"The Rev. Jesse Y. Burk Collection" of Indian relics.

"The Mary Regina Brice Collection" of historical documents.

"The Lilla S. Pechin Collection" of Stamps.

"The William S. Green and William L. Fox Collection" of Indian relics.

The last mentioned has not been placed on exhibition, as Miss Pechin is adding such issues as are necessary to make it complete.

There is no reason why there should not be many such collections in the Museum. In almost every community there are collections of more or less value, and often it becomes a serious question as to what to do with relics which have been gathered at considerable expense of time, labor and money. Collectors are natually loath to see them dissipated, and yet the care of them often becomes burdensome. Added to the Valley Forge

Museum they will be preserved, cared for, and made of practical use in an educational exhibit. At the same time they will preserve their identity and be a reminder of the personality of the collector.

Named Collections may be given by those who have not made a habit of collecting. Collections may be formed along some line in which the donor is interested, and made without any care or labor on the donor's part. Relics representative of all periods of American history may be purchased at almost any time Frequently large and small collections are offered for sale, and it is not a difficult matter to secure within a comparatively short time such a number of specimens as will make a creditable showing.

The expense of such collections is not large, save where the rarest specimens are sought. A Named Collection may be started at an initial outlay of a very moderate sum, and increased by later gifts. Either a certain amount may be sent for such a collection at stated times, or an endowment fund formed, the interest of which shall be devoted to the purchase of a specified class of relics. Such a method insures a collection which will be annually more valuable, both in money represented and in interest. Such an endowment fund may consist of as small a sum as One Hundred Dollars. Of course the larger the endowment, the better.

Where the intention is to give from time to time for the creation of a Named Collection the initial payment will be Twenty-five Dollars. After that has been paid any amount, large or small, may be given at the convenience of the donor. Under these conditions the number of Named Collections ought to be quickly increased.

In the purchase of specimens and relics the greatest care will be taken to secure only such as will add interest to the collection and honor to the donor. The interest of the donor, the public and the Nation, are here one.

The formation of such a collection will be an honor to the donor, and in many cases the donor will seek through the collection to perpetuate the memory of some one whose services have been no less important to the Nation than those who have served in public life. The life of loving service in the home is often of more real value to the nation than that famed by deeds on the field or in the council chamber.

"The thoughtless world to Majesty may bow,
Exalt the brave, and idolize success;
But more to Innocence their safety owe,
Than Power and Genius e'er conspired to bless."

"Far from the madding crowd's ignoble strife,
Their sober wishes never learned to stray;
Along the cool, sequestered vale of life
They kept the noiseless tenor of their way."

With All Saints' Day will come the memory of many such as these. They had their part in the Nation's life as truly as soldier or statesman. They had their interests, too. Why should not that interest be perpetuated? In some this was books,—books of a certain class, in others it was pictures, or china, or glass, or furniture, handiwork or inventions. Here at Valley Forge, where high and low, rich and poor, the famous and unknown, men and women, labored and suffered,—here where the soldier drilled and the housewife knit—is the place to preserve such memories.

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Mr. B. Witman Dambly has given a candle mould used fully a century ago in the family. It is in excellent state of preservation. This is the first of these useful articles of the olden time to be received.

Washington Memorial Library.

The most important addition to the Library during the past month was made by the Pennsylvania Society, Sons of the Revolution, which has presented twenty-seven volumes and pamphlets. These include Registers of Members and Reports of the Board of Managers and a Monograph on Captain Gustavus Conyngham, by Charles Henry Jones; a pamphlet on Flags and Banners, by Capt. Bellas; Mr. Richard McCall Cadwalader's address at Fort Washington, 1901; the Rev. Cyrus Townsend Brady's address at Valley Forge, 1904; and the addresses by Mr. Charles Henry Jones on the "Camp on the Neshaminy" and "Whitemarsh."

The addresses by Mr. Cadwalader, the president of the Society, and that by Mr. Jones, are valuable contributions to the history of Whitemarsh, and are of the greatest interest to all students of Valley Forge history, as the American army came to Valley Forge from Whitemarsh, with a brief stop at Gulph Mills.

The Report of the Valley Forge Park Commission, 1908, has also been received from the President, Mr. W. H. Sayen, and from the Treasurer, Mr. Samuel S. Hartranft. It is a well printed book of 31 pages, handsomely illustrated, and is the best report so far made by the Commission. The work is a credit to the State, and ought to arouse a deeper interest in a work which deserves the most generous support of our citizens. We congratulate the Commission on its splendid record.

It is most gratifying to note the generous offer of Mrs. S. S. Zulich, whose benefactions have been such an element in the success of our work at Valley Forge. She will give the new vestments required for the choristers and will pay the expenses of a carriage to be sent to King-of-Prussia every Sunday for two additional choristers. Mrs. Zulich vested the choir, and has maintained this important part of the Chapel work. Her example is both an encouragement and an incentive.

The Founders' Certificates.

The following have been enrolled in the "Book of the Founders":

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Sundays.

2.30 P. M. Sunday School and Bible Classes.

3.45 P. M. Service and Sermon.

Second Sunday of the month, 10.30 A. M. Service, Sermon and Holy Communion.

Stewart Fund Hall

Sundays.

10.00 A. M. Sunday School and Bible Classes.

11.00 A. M. Service and Sermon.

Calendar.

OCTOBER.

17. Nineteenth Sunday after Trinity.
18. St. Luke, the Eangelist.
    10 a. m., Holy Communion.
20. Meeting of the Montgomery County Historical Society.
22. Rummage Sale.
23. Rummage Sale.
24. Twentieth Sunday after Trinity.
28. Saints Simon and Jude.
    10 a. m., Holy Communion.
31. Twenty-first Sunday after Trinity.

NOVEMBER.

1. All Saints Day.
   10 a. m., Holy Communion.
   4 p. m., Evening Prayer.
6. Supper given by the Martha Washington Guild.
7. Twenty-second Sunday after Trinity.
14. Twenty-third Sunday after Trinity.

The regular monthly meeting of the Guild was held in Stewart Fund Hall, King-of-Prussia, on Wednesday, October sixth. The attendance was excellent. The meeting was opened by the president and the usual order of business followed. The treasurer's report showed a balance of only $88.15, and some outstanding bills unpaid, showing the need of earnest and united efforts. The most important new business before the meeting was the consideration of a luncheon to be served on Wednesday, October 20th, for the Montgomery County Historical Society. The profits will go into the Guild treasury. The meeting adjourned to meet the first Wednesday in November at the Parish House.

Report of the Treasurer.

Annual report of the Treasurer of Washington Memorial Chapel:

September 1st, 1909:

RECEIVED:

Dues	$ 54.74
Subscription Chronicle	15.76
Entertainments	273.61
Incidentals	21.53
Rummage Sale	78.76
Interest	4.21
	$448.61
Balance from last year	370.64
Total	$819.25
Spent	728.80
Balance	$ 90.45

L. W. JEFFERIS, Treas.

DISBURSEMENTS.

Chapel expenses	$375.41
Chronicle expenses	117.36
Entertainment	29.75
Transportation	131.28
Memorial Fund	50.00
Convocation Fund	25.00
Total	$728.80

MEMORIAL FUND.

Lecture	$45.50
Guild	50.00
	$95.50

Mr. Arthur E. Pearson, a member of the Valley Forge Memorial Committee of the Massachusetts Society, Sons of the American Revolution, and a devoted friend of the Gospel, has had the photograph of those who took part in the dedication of the Massachusetts Bay on June 19th reproduced. He has prepared most carefully a key to the group and published with the cut, adding greatly to its value. Most generously he has allowed us to use the cuts, and our next issue will contain this interesting supplement.

Mr. J. O. K. Robarts, of Phoenixville, has given the first flint-lock musket to find a place in the Museum. Attached to this interesting relic of by-gone days is a card on which Mr. Robarts has printed the following:

"To whom it may concern:

"During the year 1819 there was born on the Main street of Pottstown, this state, Nathaniel Missimer Ellis, who in his very early manhood became a member of the engineer corps charged with the laying out and construction of the Philadelphia and Reading Railway. In the year 1837 he was appointed station agent in the town of Phoenixville, a position he held acceptably almost forty years. During the first year of his residence here he visited Valley Forge, and, while walking along the Port Kennedy road, found the old flint musket, the muzzle end of it alone visible as it protruded from the bank to the left hand as he went and only a very short distance, as he once pointed out to me, west from the location of the Valley Forge Memorial Chapel.

"Before the death of Colonel Ellis, which occurred late in 1907, he presented the gun to me, and I, having no better use for it, herewith present it for preservation in the Valley Forge Memorial Chapel Museum.

"It must be remembered, however, that Colonel Ellis did not claim for this gun any connection with Revolutionary days. His theory was that it was the property of some militiaman, of a later day, who perhaps while on duty there, buried it for future recovery, which never happened.

"Very truly,

"JOHN O. K. ROBARTS."

Born in England, 1835; an American since 1850.

THE CHRONICLE.

No more subscriptions for this year's Chronicle can be received, as some of the issues are exhausted. For the balance of the year the Chronicle will be sent for Ten Cents. At present the subscriptions do not meet the expenses of publication, which are borne by the Washington Chapel Guild. The Chronicle is an important factor in our work, and deserves to be kept up. We, therefore, appeal to our readers to secure subscriptions for the balance of the year, November to April, at this low rate, as we believe that many will be glad to renew the subscriptions for next year after having the Chronicle.

Mr. William Carter has increased our collection of weapons by the gift of a Savage revolver and a double-barreled pistol with a single trigger. Miss Annie B. Molony has given a short, single-barreled pistol, the hammer of which is set in the middle of the stock. By a coincidence the pistols represent the following varieties of form: one trigger and one hammer, two hammers and one trigger; two triggers and one hammer. Mr. Frank S. Huston has given three pistols, all single-barreled. The most interesting is one with a brass barrel, cast in the form of a cannon.

Mr. Frank R. Shaeffer has added to our

Indian relics a bead necklace purchased at the Centennial Exposition in Philadelphia in 1876. It is a beautiful specimen of the aborigine's artistic sense and ability.

The Named Collections, to which attention is called, in another place, ought to be of interest to many of our readers. All such should communicate with the Rev. Mr. Burk, who is in a position to give advice and help to those considering the gift of such a collection or having one formed. He will gladly give his personal attention to the collection and arrangement of such gifts.

In this connection we ask the friends of the Museum not only to talk to others about it and to endeavor to secure contributions for it, but also to help accumulate funds for the purchase of relics. Several famous collections will be offered for sale this winter, and we ought to be able to secure some of the relics for the Museum.

The purchase of a hackle, wool-wheel, flax-wheel, spinning-wheel and reel, used in the Bradford and Edelman families fully a century ago and still in perfect working order, makes an important addition to our collection. Mrs. Elizabeth B. Edelman, the daughter of Mr. B. Bradford, and now over eighty years of age, has spun some thread for us on the wheel, which was an heirloom when she was a child. The flax, of which we secured a quantity, was grown by her father. From the same family we purchased some wrought iron forks for use in cooking in an open fireplace, and also a ladle, nearly two hundred years old. This has a hammered brass bowl.

The Martha Washington Guild will give a supper on Saturday, November 8, in the Parish House. Our girls are working with great enthusiasm to make this a success, and they deserve your help.

Miss Julia N. Welsh has presented to the Museum one of the beautiful bronze medals struck at the United States Mint in honor of the centennial of the birth of Lincoln. On the obverse is a carefully executed portrait profile in high relief, surrounded with the words: Abraham Lincoln. On the reverse are the dates 1809 and 1909 on a scroll, and below is the quotation "With malice toward none with charity for all." Branches of the palm and olive add to the decorative effect of this side.

Visitors to the Museum sometimes see the request to give at least ten cents each for the increase of the collections. If all would do so the funds for the purchase of relics would be a real help. As it is within the past months we have been able to purchase the following Civil War relics: Cannon sponge and rammer; grape shot, (rare form); soldiers' scissors, made of two bayonets; several samples of hats; Navy hand and leg shackles, including the rare form invented by Sergeant Lillie; broad bayonet; Navy cutlas, 1862. The purchases included one of the old time whale harpoons, without the haft.

Our grove has become a favorite place for picnics. In addition to the many smaller parties which enjoy its privileges, the Sunday schools of All Saints' Church, Norristown, the Washington Memorial Chapel and the auxiliary school from King-of-Prussia spent a delightful day there on June 26, and the Sunday school of our neighboring parish, Christ Church, Upper Merion, (Old Swedes') on July 17. The Sunday school of the Church of the Messiah, Gwynedd, occupied the grounds on July 29. Base ball games are played weekly on our field.

Six show cases have been purchased to enable us to better display the collections.

A VALLEY FORGE ORDERLY BOOK.

Printed by Courtesy of Its late Owner, Mr. George Clifford Thomas.

Head Qrs. Valley Forge Jany 13th, 1778.

Major Genl....Tomorrow Baron DeKalb
Brigadier. .... Vernum
Field officers.....Colo. Burr & Major Nichols
Brigade Major McClintock..... ....

The Honle the Congress haveing been pleased To call Colo Pickering to a Seat at the Board of War Have appointed Colo Scammel Adjutant Genl in his Room; Who is to be Obeyd & Respected as Such.—

At a Genl Court Martial of which Colo Swift was President held the 5th Inst., Capt. Powell of the 3rd Virginia Regiement, Charged with Insulting Lt. Davis when on his Guard, and arresting him upon a Groundless foundation; was Tryed and Acquited of The first Charge, but found Guilty of the Second and Sentenced therefore to ask Pardon of Lieut. Davis In the Presence of the officers of the Regiemt.—The Commander in Chief Approves the Sentence and orders it to be Executed Tomorrow Morning at Roll Call.—At the same Court Martial Held the 6th Inst. Capt. Flagg charged with Neglect of duty, first in suffering the Marquis De La Fayette when Major Genl of the day, to come in the Night into the Center of his Picquet, without being Stop'd or Challengd; 2nd, for Permitting his Centenals to have fires in his Sight. was Tryed and Acquited by the Unanimous Oppinion of The Court—The Commander in Chief approves the Sentence—And the same Court Martial held the 7th Inst. Capt. Laird Charged with Neglect of duty in Suffering the Major Genl of the day to surprize him At his Picquet in the Night was Tryed & found Guilty and Sentenced to be dismissed from the service.—

The Commander in Chief Approves the Sentence.—Lieut. Ziglar appeared before the Court charged with Strikeing and Wounding Inhumanly with his Sword James Quin a Soldier belonging to the 7th Pensylvania Regiement, of which wound he died; Lieut. Zigler Confess'd the fact but Justifyed it by being in the line of His duty the Court having Considered the evidance are of Oppinion that Lieut. Ziglars Justification Is sufficient. do Acquit him of the Charge exhibited Against Him.—The Commander in Chief Approves The Sentence.—

The Numerable Instances of the peaceable Inhabitants being plunder'd and Grosely Abused by the Soldiery Demand the Severest Examples, They have in Genl. orders Been Repeatedly cautioned against the Committing of Those Crimes and assured that no Mercy should be Shewn To the offenders. Justice to the sufferers, and a Regard to The cause we are Engaged in (which is Assentially Injured By such practices) Rendered this Necessary. . . . . at the Same time the Genl. desires that such offenders may be Corrected with Coolness, and that when the Case does not Require an Immediate example, officers would confine and bring them to a Regular Tryal.—At the same Court Martial Held the 8th Inst. Ensign Washborn of Colo. Bigalows Regiemt. Charg'd with leaving his picquet And going to a House at some distance, was Tryed and found Guilty, but on Acct. of the Circumstances of the Case, the Court sentence him to be Reprimanded by The Colo. of the Regt. he belongs to in the presence of The officers of the Regiement.—The Commander in Chief Approves the Sentence and Orders it to be Executed To-morrow Morning at Roll call.—But cautions all officers on Gaurds to avoid the like inattention to duty As a Repitision of the Offence will not Again meet wth The same Clemency . . . . . At a Genl. Court Martial Held the 10th Inst. whereof Colo. Olney was president Lieut. Joseph Fish of Colo. Durkerys Regiement charged with Squandering away Publick Stores was Tryed & found Guilty, and Sentenced to Return the Stores so Squandered Away being a

fire Lock into the publick Store.—To forfit all his pay and be dismissed from the Service The Commander in Chief Approves the Sentence But upon the Recommendation of the Court. Remits That part of it, which Respects the forfit of pay.—The Court Martial of wch Colo Swift was president Is disolved.—A Genl Court Martial is to set Tomorrow at 10 OClock in the forenoon at the Bake House for the Tryall of all prisoners which shall be brought Before them; Colo Clark is Appointed president of this Court; A Capt from each Brigade excepting Woodfords Learneds & Maintoshes will Constitute the Members of the Court —officers who Commands the Gaurds are to Give the Counter sign to the Picquet as soon Dark.—The Commander in Chief is Surprized To hear that Butchers have Extorted money from the Soldiers for the plucks of Beef.—The Commissaries are therefore directed to Issue the Head & pluck together At 8 pounds, and the Qr Mrs are to see that the differt Companies have it in Turn.—The flying Hospital Hutts are to be 15 feet wide & 25 feet Long in the Clear and the Story at least 9 feet High to be cover'd with boards Or Shingle only without any Dirt; A Window made in each side and a Chimney at one end Two such Hospitals Are to be made for each Brigade as near the Center as may be and if the Ground Admitts of it not more then Three nor less than 100 yards from the Brigade.—

Head Quarters Valley Forge Jany 14th 1778

Major Generl.....Tomorrow....Green
Brigadier..... .....Huntington
Field officers.....Colo Baker....Colo Bradford
Brigade Major.....Learned

The clothier has some Stockings suitable for officers At a reasonable price.—The Majors of Brigades will Deliver a list of the field officers in the Several Brigades To which they belong. . . . . The Genl Court Martial Which was to set this day is to set Tomorrow at 10 OClock At the Bake House near Head Quarters.—

Head Quarters Valley Forge January 15th 1778

Major Genl..... Tomorrow.....Lord Starling
Brigadier..... .....Poor
Field officers Lt Colo Weltner Lt Colo Hermen
Brigade Major.....Paterson.....

The works mark'd out by the Engineers for the defence of the Camp are to be Executed with all possible dispatch And the Commander in Chief Requests the favour of Genl Green, Lord Starling & the Marquis De La Fayette (Genl Sullivan being upon other duty) to Consult with Genl Portail on the proper means and Number of men Necessary to execute the works in the different Wings & 2nd Line and Give orders Accordingly and that each of them Appoint proper officers to superintend and push Forward the forces.—The Qr Mr G is posistively Ordered to Provide Straw for the Use of the Troops and the Surgions to see that the Sick when they are Removed into Hutts assigned for theHospital are plentifully Supplyed with this Article.—Colo Humpton & Gibson Lt Colo Vose and Bassett who are Appointed to Repair To the Several Hospitals in the Middle Department They will receive their orders at the adjutant Genls office Tomorrow Morning.—The 1st Pensylvania, Poors Learneds Maxwells Huntingtons & McIntoshes Brigade, each Give a Capt Woodford Scott Weedens & Varnums each Give a Sub. for raid purpose they must attend Likewise at the aforesaid time & place.—A list of the Sadles with The Regiemt to which they belong is to be made and Sent in Tomorrow at orderly time.—Adjutant Gilmore of the 3d New Hampshier Battalion is Appointed Assistant to the Major Genl. . . . . —At the Armourers Except those already Imploy'd in their Respective Brigde are to

(To be continued.)

We regret to report that while over 800 appeals for One Dollar towards the erection of the Washington Room in the Patriots' Hall were sent, so far we have received only $59.00 for this important work.